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SUBJECT: COUNCIL OF EUROPE INVITES U.S. OBSERVER TO THE FIRST MEETING OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON AUTOMATION AND QUALITY CONTROL IN BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICES.

- 1. THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE HAS INVITED THE UNITED STATES TO SEND AN OBSERVER TO THE FIRST MEETING OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON AUTOMATION AND QUALITY CONTROL IN BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICES WHICH IS TO BE HELD AT THE INSTITUTE OF HEMATOLOGY, MONTPELLIER, FRANCE, APRIL 11-14, 1978.
- 2. AS DEPARTMENT KNOWS, USG HAS SENT OBSERVERS FROM NIH AND FDA TO SIMILAR COUNCIL MEETINGS ON BLOOD RELATED TOPICS IN THE PAST. PERHAPS THESE PERSONS COULD BE CONTACTED RE SUGGESTED USG PARTICIPATION AT THIS MEETING. AGENDA INDICATES THAT MEETING WILL REVIEW DEVELOPMENTS IN AUTOMATION OF VALUE TO TRANSFUSION SERVICES, REPORT UPON VALUE AND COST- EFFECTIVENESS OF COMPUTERS IN TRANSFUSION SERVICES, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF QUALITY CONTROL IN TRANSFUSION SERVICES. LETTER OF INVITATION STATES THAT THE COUNCIL WILL NOT REIMBURSE EXPENSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATION.

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3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE DEPARTMENT WOULD LET CONSULATE KNOW IF THE USG WILL PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING AND, IF SO, BY WHOM. LETTER OF INVITATION AND DRAFT AGENDA BEING AIRPOUCHED TO DEPARTMETT. KURZE

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